संघ लोक सेवा आयोग की परीक्षाओं में अंग्रेजी की अनिवार्यता को समाप्त किया जाना

*56. चौधरी हरमोहन सिंह: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि: (क) क्या सरकार ने संघ लोक सेवा आयोग द्वारा आयोजित की जाने वाली विभिन्न परीक्षाओं में अंग्रेजी की अनिवार्यता को समाप्त किए जाने की मांग पर अब तक कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) इस संबंध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

कार्मिक लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मार्ग्रेट आल्वा): (क) से (ग) संघ लोक सेवा आयोग द्वारा आयोजित सिविल सेवा (मुख्य) परीक्षा में बैठने वाले उम्मीदवारों के पास पहले से ही यह विकल्प है कि वे अपने उत्तर अंग्रेजी, हिन्दी अथवा आठवीं अनुसूची में शामिल किसी अन्य भाषा में लिख सकते हैं। आयोग द्वारा आयोजित कुछ अन्य परीक्षाओं में भी उत्तर हिन्दी अथवा अंग्रेजी भाषा में लिखने का विकल्प दिया गया है। डा. सतीश चन्द्र की अध्यक्षता में एक विशेषज्ञ समिति ने संघ लोक सेवा आयोग की शेष परीक्षाओं में भारतीय भाषाओं के प्रयोग के मुददे पर विचार किया था और अपनी सिफारिशें प्रस्तुत की थीं। सरकार को इन सिफारिशों पर अभी अन्तिम निर्णय लेना है।

Increase in Pakistani troops along the Line of Control

*57. SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan has increased concentration of its troops along the Line of Control (LOC) in the Nowshera sector of Poonch district of J&K;

(b) whether according to the disclosure made by the Governor at J&K, Pakistan is preparing more than 10,000 Afghan "Mujahideens' to push them into Kashmir to escalate militancy-related violence in the Valley in its bid to continue disturbances in the state;

(c) when there has been unprovoked firing recently by Pakistani troops and use of rockets from across the Line of Control; and

(d) if so, what measures have been taken to safeguard the sovereignty and integrity of India against the nefarious Pakistani designs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ~ DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The Government have no reports suggesting concentration of additional Pak troops along the Line of Control in the Nowshera sector.

(b) There are reports which indicate the presence of foreign mercenaries- including Afghans (who had participated in Afghan guerilla war) in Pakistan and POK. Some foreign mercenaries are also reported to have crossed over to the Valley.

(c) Unprovoked firing by Pakistanis across the Line of Control is endemic in nature. There has been some firing of rockets by pak troops during the period 2—31 January, 1994 in the Poonch Sector.

(d) The Government keeps a constant watch on all such developments impinging on our national security and takes appropriate measures to ensure full defence preparedness. Our troops are fully prepared and alert to face any contingency along the LOC.

Permission to Govt Officers to draw Pension from International Organisations

*58 SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to allow Government officers to draw pension from international organisations like the World Bank and others;

(b) if so, what are the details of the order Government have issued in this regard;

(c) what are the names and designations of Government officers who have been drawing or have been permitted to draw pension from the international organisations;

(d) since when each of them has been drawing pension from such organisations;

(e) what are the reasons therefor in each case;